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SUBJECT: REPORTED ATTEMPTED HIJACKING OF SOVIET AIRCRAFT

ACCORDING TO RESIDENT SCANDINAVIAN CORRESPONDENT, VICTOR LOUIS RECENTLY TOLD FORMER PRISON CAMP ACQUAINTANCE IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION OF ALLEGED ATTEMPTED HIJACKING OF AEROFLOT IL-62 AIRCRAFT IN VICINITY OF CHITA NEAR CHINESE BORDER IN SOVIET FAR EAST. INCIDENT, WHICH REPORTEDLY OCCURRED WITHIN PAST FEW WEEKS, RESULTED IN CRASH OF AIRCRAFT WITH NO SURVIVORS. SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION ALLEGEDLY INDICATED SOME SHOOTING HAD OCCURRED PRIOR TO CRASH, SINCE BULLET WOUNDS FOUND IN BODIES OF SOME VICTIMS. SOURCE AND EMBASSY HAVE NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WHICH WOULD CONFIRM AUTHENTICITY OF STORY.  
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